



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eva Ackerman and Randy Gene Clark

Serial No.: 09/764,572

Filed: January 18, 2001

For: A Method of Assisting a  
Compromised Barrier

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Examiner: Patel, Dhirubhai R.

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JAN. 13, 2004**

In response to the Office Action of 13 January 2004 in the above-referenced matter,  
please add/cancel/amend the following claims as indicated: